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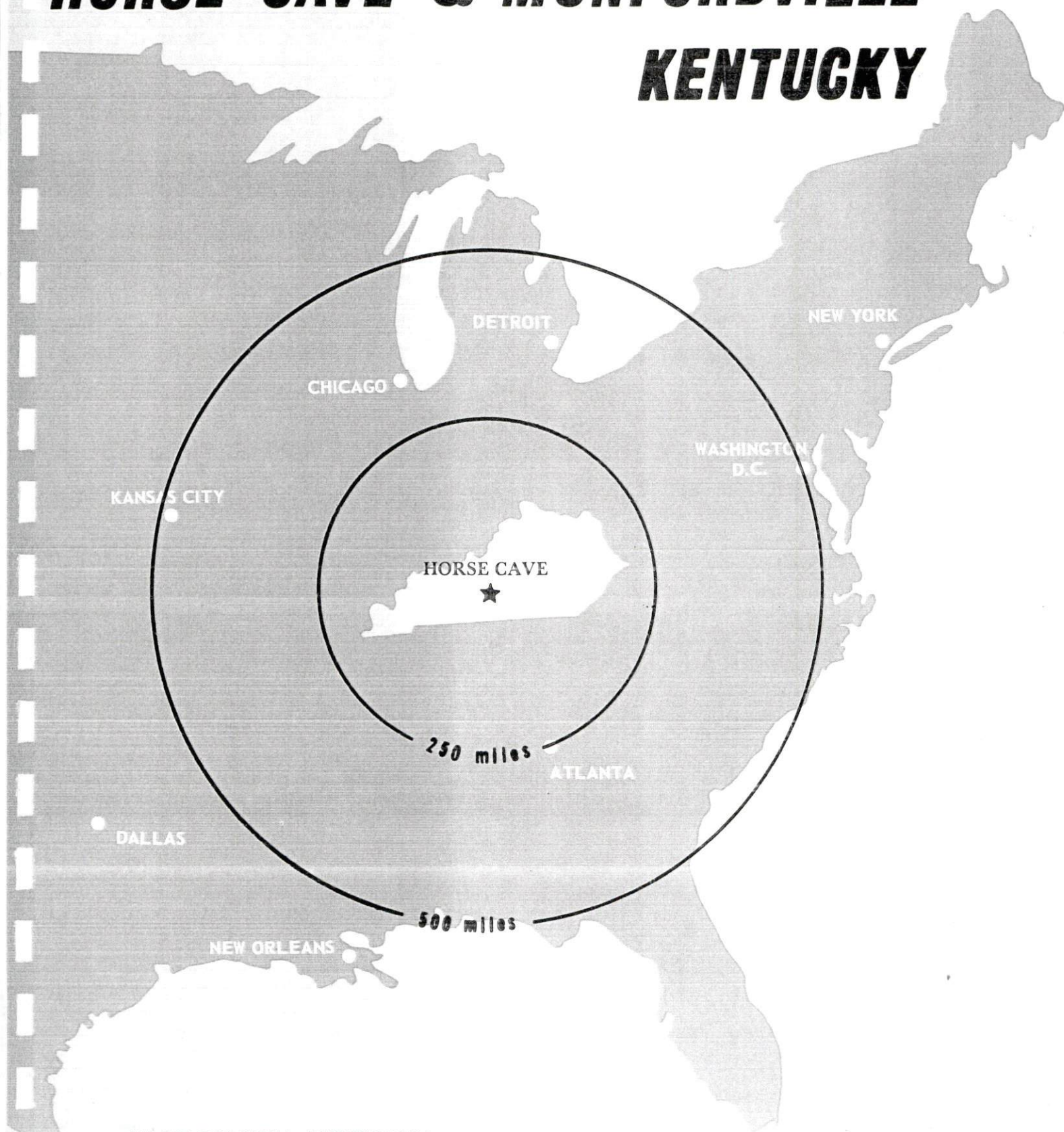
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# INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES

## ***HORSE CAVE & MUNFORDVILLE*** ***KENTUCKY***



HART COUNTY, KENTUCKY

# CURRENT INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES, HORSE CAVE AND MUNFORDVILLE, KENTUCKY

This is a 1974 supplement to "Industrial Resources, Horse Cave and Munfordville, Kentucky" which was published in 1973.

## Population

	<u>1972</u> (Provisional)	<u>1970</u>	<u>1960</u>
Horse Cave	N/A	2,068	1,780
Munfordville	N/A	1,233	1,157
Hart County	14,500	13,980	14,119
Labor Market Area	178,200	175,473	164,092
(Includes Barren, Edmonson, Grayson, Green, Hardin, Larue, Metcalfe, and Hart Counties.)			

## General Employment Characteristics

<u>Industry</u>	<u>Employment 1972</u>	
	<u>Hart County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
TOTAL	4,730	54,940
Agricultural	1,520	10,150
Nonagricultural	3,210	44,790
Manufacturing	640	8,658
Trade and Services	759	10,429
Government	550	11,770
Other	1,261	13,933

## Manufacturing Employment

<u>Type Industry</u>	<u>Hart County</u>			<u>Labor Market Area</u>		
	<u>Sept.</u> <u>1973</u>	<u>Sept.</u> <u>1963</u>	<u>%Change</u>	<u>Sept.</u> <u>1973</u>	<u>Sept.</u> <u>1963</u>	<u>%Change</u>
TOTAL	653	268	143.7	10,924	3,216	239.7
Food & Kindred Products	50	47	6.4	683	494	38.3
Tobacco	0	21	-100.0	1	23	- 95.7
Apparel, Textiles, Leather	369	152	142.8	3,145	1,527	106.0
Lumber, Furniture	40	29	37.9	466	357	42.5
Printing & Publishing, Paper	9	16	- 43.7	652	150	334.7
Chemicals, Petroleum &						
Coal, Rubber	0	3	-100.0	875	35	2400.0
Stone, Clay & Glass	4	0	--	121	103	17.5
Primary Metals	120	0	--	195	0	100.0
Machinery & Metal						
Products, Equipment	61	0	--	4,281	327	1209.2
Other	0	0	0	505	200	152.5



There are presently 18 manufacturing firms in Horse Cave and Munfordville. Firms, employment, and year started operations:

<u>Firms</u>	<u>Employment</u>	<u>Year started operations</u>
<u>Horse Cave</u>		
Agrico Farm Center	4	1961
Armco Steel Corp., Metal Products Div.	12	N/A
Foremost Dairies, Inc.	3	1961
Hart County Creameries, Inc.	40	1941
Hart County Herald	2	1911
J. B. Hatcher and Square Deal	10	1946
Kane Industries, Div. of Chromalloy American Corp.	175	1955
Ken Dec, Inc.	80	1969
Moss Tobacco Company	29	1937
Southern States Cooperative	7	1969
<u>Munfordville</u>		
Anderson Forest Products	43	1968
Green River Locker Plant	4	1961
The Hart County News	7	1878
Louisville Bedding Company	160	1889
Munfordville Craft Shop	1	1950
Munfordville Milling Company	2	1928

### Labor Supply

	<u>Hart County</u>			<u>Labor Market Area</u>		
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Current (1973)	1,200	400	800	16,110	7,450	8,660
Potential additions next five years	1,413	720	693	16,490	8,433	8,057

### Personal Income

Hart County, 1971: Per Capita - \$2,109  
1961: Per Capita - 1,063

### Local Government

#### Property Tax Rates

Property tax rates per \$100 of assessed valuation, 1973

	<u>Horse Cave</u>	<u>Munfordville</u>	<u>Hart County</u>
State	\$ .015	\$ .015	\$ .015
County	.156	.156	.156
School	.450	.450	.450
City	.230	.190	
Total	\$ .851	\$ .811	\$ .621



## HORSE CAVE INDUSTRIAL SITES

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For more information about the following sites, contact Mr. Otis D. Cagle, Jr.; Horse Cave, Kentucky or the Kentucky Department of Commerce, Capital Plaza Office Tower, Frankfort, Kentucky.

SITE #1: ACREAGE: 39 acres  
LOCATION: Within southeast city limits  
ZONING: Industrial  
HIGHWAY ACCESS: Site fronts on U. S. 31-W  
RAILROAD: Louisville & Nashville Railroad along western boundary of site  
WATER: Green River Valley Water District  
SIZE LINE: 6-inch line along eastern boundary of site  
GAS: Western Kentucky Gas Company  
SIZE MAIN: 4-inch main along eastern boundary of site  
ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Utilities Company  
SEWERAGE: Horse Cave Water and Sewer Company  
SIZE LINE: 8-inch line along eastern boundary of site  
OWNERSHIP: Horse Cave Industrial Foundation

SITE #2: ACREAGE: 66 acres  
LOCATION: Adjacent to southwest city limits  
ZONING: Industrial  
HIGHWAY ACCESS: Site fronts on U. S. 31-W  
RAILROAD: Louisville & Nashville Railroad along western boundary of site  
WATER: Green River Valley Water District  
SIZE LINE: 8-inch line along eastern boundary of site  
GAS: Western Kentucky Gas Company  
SIZE MAIN: 4-inch main at eastern boundary of site  
ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Utilities Company  
SEWERAGE: Horse Cave Water and Sewer Company  
SIZE LINE: 8-inch line approximately 600 feet east of site  
OPTIONED BY: Horse Cave Industrial Foundation

# MUNFORDVILLE INDUSTRIAL SITES

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For more information about the following sites, contact Stokes A. Baird IV, Munfordville, Kentucky or the Kentucky Department of Commerce, Capital Plaza Office Tower, Frankfort, Kentucky.

SITE #1: ACREAGE: 102 acres  
LOCATION: Partially within northeast city limits  
ZONING: Not zoned  
HIGHWAY ACCESS: Kentucky 357 adjacent to southeast corner of site  
RAILROAD: Not rail served  
WATER: Munfordville Municipal Water Company  
SIZE LINE: 8-inch line along southwest boundary of site  
GAS: Western Kentucky Gas Company  
SIZE MAIN: 2-inch main adjacent to southeast corner of site  
ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Utilities Company  
SEWERAGE: Munfordville Municipal Water Company  
SIZE LINE: 8-inch line adjacent to southwest corner of site  
OWNERSHIP: Private

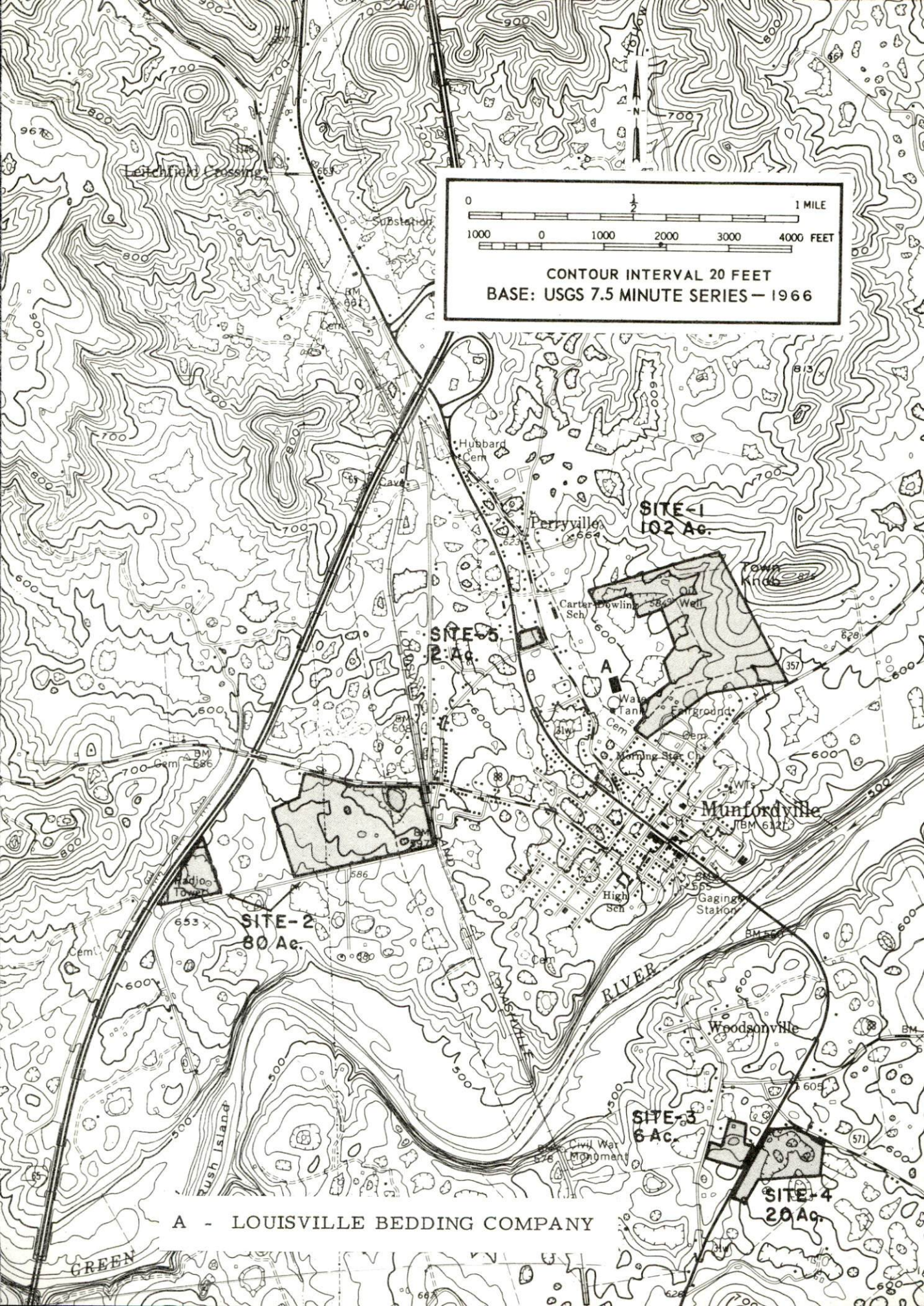
SITE #2: ACREAGE: 80 acres  
LOCATION: Partially within western city limits  
ZONING: None  
HIGHWAY ACCESS: Site fronts on Kentucky 88 and 1-65  
RAILROAD: Louisville & Nashville Railroad adjacent to eastern boundary of site  
WATER: Munfordville Municipal Water Company  
SIZE LINE: 6-inch line approximately 1/5 mile east of site  
GAS: Western Kentucky Gas Company  
SIZE MAIN: 2-inch main adjacent to northeast corner of site  
ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Utilities Company  
SEWERAGE: Munfordville Municipal Water Company  
SIZE LINE: 8-inch line approximately 2,000 feet east of site  
OWNERSHIP: Private

SITE #3: ACREAGE: 6 acres  
LOCATION: Approximately three-fourth mile south of city limits  
ZONING: None  
HIGHWAY ACCESS: Site fronts on U. S. 31-W  
RAILROAD: Not rail served  
WATER: Green River Valley Water District  
SIZE LINE: 10-inch line adjacent to eastern boundary of site across U. S. 31-W  
GAS: Western Kentucky Gas Company  
SIZE MAIN: 2-inch main along eastern boundary of site  
ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Utilities Company  
SEWERAGE: Munfordville Municipal Water Company  
SIZE LINE: 8-inch line approximately 3,500 feet northwest of site across Green River  
OWNERSHIP: Private

SITE #4: ACREAGE: 20 acres  
LOCATION: Approximately three-fourth mile south of city limits  
ZONING: Not zoned  
HIGHWAY ACCESS: Site fronts on U. S. 31-W  
RAILROAD: Not rail served  
WATER: Green River Valley Water District  
SIZE LINE: 10-inch line along western boundary of site  
GAS: Western Kentucky Gas Company  
SIZE MAIN: 2-inch main adjacent to western boundary across U. S. 31-W  
ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Utilities Company  
SEWERAGE: Munfordville Municipal Water Company  
SIZE LINE: 8-inch line approximately 3,500 feet northwest of site across Green River  
OWNERSHIP: Private

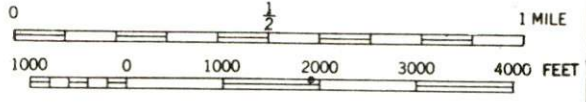
SITE #5: ACREAGE: 2 acres  
LOCATION: Within city limits  
ZONING: Not zoned  
HIGHWAY ACCESS: Site fronts on U. S. 31-W  
RAILROAD: Not rail served  
WATER: Munfordville Municipal Water Company  
SIZE LINE: 6-inch line approximately 1,000 feet south of site across U. S. 31-W  
GAS: Western Kentucky Gas Company  
SIZE MAIN: 2-inch main adjacent to western boundary across U. S. 31-W  
ELECTRICITY: Kentucky Utilities Company  
SEWERAGE: Munfordville Municipal Water Company  
SIZE LINE: 8-inch line approximately 2,700 feet south of site  
OWNERSHIP: Private





Leitchfield Crossing

Substation



CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET  
BASE: USGS 7.5 MINUTE SERIES - 1966

SITE-5  
2 Ac.

SITE-1  
102 Ac.

Town  
Knobs

Perryville

Carter Bowlin Sch

Well

Wade Tank

Fieldground

Cem

Morning Star Ch

Wts

Munfordville

BM 6142

High Sch

Gaging Station

BM 550

Woodsonville

BM 571

SITE-3  
6 Ac.

SITE-4  
20 Ac.

A - LOUISVILLE BEDDING COMPANY

GREEN



- 
- A - KEN DEC, INC.  
B - HART COUNTY CREAMERIES, INC.  
C - ARMCO STEEL CORP.  
D - FOREMOST DAIRIES, INC.  
E - SOUTHERN STATES COOPERATIVE



CONTOUR INTERVAL 10 FEET  
BASE: USGS 7.5 MINUTE SERIES — 1966

SITE-1  
39 Ac.

SITE-2  
66 Ac.

Caverna Memorial Hospital

Caverna High Sch.

Horse Cave

Friendship Ch.

BM 634

Sewage Disposal

Drive-In Theater

Our Lady of the Caves Ch.

Creacy Lake



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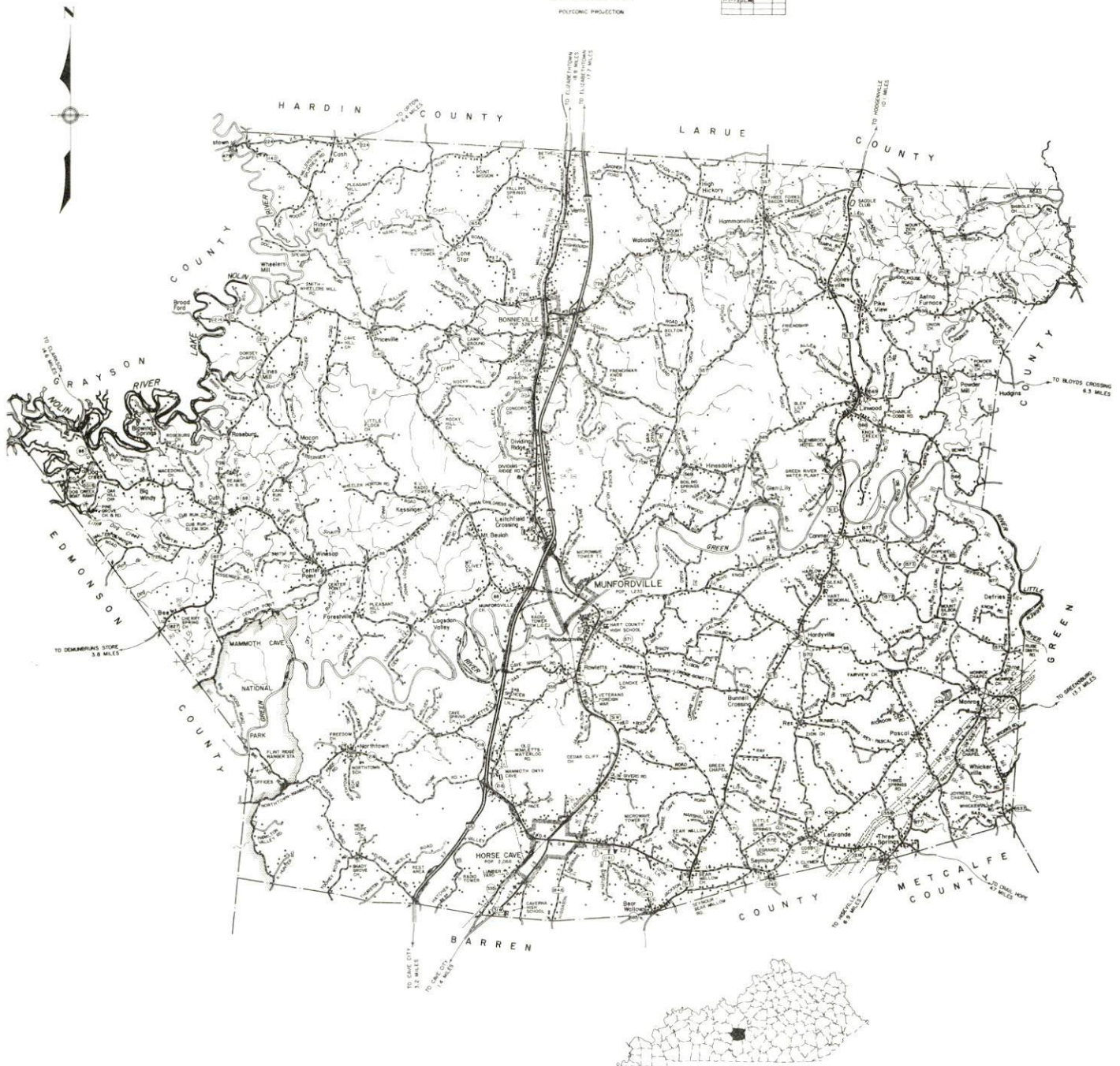
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# GENERAL HIGHWAY MAP HART COUNTY KENTUCKY

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A map of the central region of Texas, showing the following counties: HARDIN, LARUE, GRAYSON, EDMONSON, HART, GREEN, BARREN, and METCALFE.

Shaded area denotes Labor Market Area.

The map shows the Louisville, Kentucky area, with the Labor Market Area shaded in gray. The shaded area includes Louisville and its immediate surroundings, extending from the Ohio River in the north to the Kentucky-Tennessee border in the south. Major highways are shown as solid lines with route numbers, and cities and towns are labeled. The map is oriented with North at the top.



## HORSE CAVE AND MUNFORDVILLE, KENTUCKY - A RESOURCE PROFILE

Horse Cave, the largest town in Hart County, is located in the Pennyryle Region of south central Kentucky. Horse Cave, which is 76 miles south of Louisville and 101 miles north of Nashville, Tennessee, had a 1970 population of 2,068. Munfordville, the county seat, is located 9 miles north of Horse Cave and in 1970 had a population of 1,233.

Hart County, which encompasses 420 square miles of land, had a population of 13,980 in 1970.

### The Economic Framework

Total employment in Hart County averaged 4,730 in 1972 with manufacturing providing 640 jobs, agriculture 1,520, trade and services 760 and government 550 jobs. Since 1962, manufacturing employment has increased 116 percent, creating 340 new jobs. Major industrial products are men's and boys' jackets, mattress pads, metal decorative trim, transportation equipment, lumber products and cheese.

Per capita personal income in 1970 was \$2,187. Between 1960 and 1970 per capita personal income in the county increased by 130.4 percent.

The Horse Cave-Munfordville labor market area includes Hart and the seven adjoining counties. Total area employment averaged 54,940 in 1972, including 10,150 in agriculture, 8,660 in manufacturing, 11,770 in government and 10,430 in trade and services. Since 1962, manufacturing employment has increased by 169.4 percent, or by 5,736 jobs, with the sharpest gain in the electrical machinery industry.

Despite industrial gains in recent years, this area still has a deficit of 6,917 manufacturing jobs when measured against the national manufacturing employment-population ratio. This indicates an area with a potential for additional manufacturing production.

### Resources for Growth

1. There is a current labor supply of 13,850 men and 12,630 women available for industrial jobs in Hart County and the labor market area. In addition, 8,470 young men and 8,130 young women will become 18 years of age by 1979 and potentially available for work.



2. The local transportation capability is good. The Louisville & Nashville Railroad serves Hart County. Major highway access is by Interstate 65, which runs north-south through the county, U. S. Highways 31-E and 31-W and nine Kentucky highways. Commercial air service is available at Standiford Field, 67 miles north of Munfordville by Interstate. The Glasgow Airport, 16 miles from Horse Cave, provides air service for small aircraft.

3. Electric power is available in large quantity from the Kentucky Utilities Company and the Farmers RECC. Natural gas service in Horse Cave and Munfordville is provided by Western Kentucky Gas Company. There are four distributors of propane and thirteen distillate fuel oil distributors in the Horse Cave-Munfordville area. The local raw water supply is adequate for continued industrial growth.

4. Industrial sites - Hart County has seven available industrial sites totaling 335 acres.

5. There are two school systems operating in Hart County. One university, one senior college, one junior college and two community colleges are within a 60-mile radius.

The nearest area vocational education center is located in Glasgow, 15 miles from Horse Cave. The Bowling Green State Vocational-Technical School, located 30 miles from Horse Cave, offers courses in twenty-three different subject areas.

#### Community Programs for Improvement

Recent improvements and plans for improvement in Horse Cave include:

1. Construction of an open area concept-team teaching program elementary school at a cost of \$929,000; construction of a new \$347,000 high school gymnasium; improvement of physical education facilities and implementation of elective English program in the Caverna Independent High School.

2. Construction of three subdivisions and trailer park; plans for an addition to the library; the expansion of Ken-Dec, Inc., and construction of a new 80-unit Rodeway Inn, to be in operation in the Spring of 1974.

3. The renovation of six downtown stores since 1971; the purchase of a new police car and a 750-gallon per minute pumper truck; the paving and resurfacing of streets; and an additional downtown parking lot.



4. Addition of 70 miles of new lines, adoption of micro-floc-filtering, construction of a 500,000-gallon ground tank in Cave City, and plans for an additional ground tank by the Green River Valley Water District.

Recent improvements in Munfordville include:

1. Construction of a new 80-unit, low-rent housing project at a cost of \$1,000,000; a shopping center; a Masonic lodge; a new subdivision; a \$144,000 Hart County Public Library; and a municipal building.

2. Renovation of the courthouse, construction of a \$360,000 Hart County Bank with night depository drive-in facilities, and plans for a 50-room Scottish Inn.

3. Purchase of a new 750-gallon per minute pumper, construction of two new restaurants and several commercial buildings downtown, and an addition to the Mental Health and Mental Retardation Center.

4. A new 20 milliwatt substation and 40 miles of 3-phase distribution lines in the county, constructed by the Farmers RECC, which serves portions of Hart County; construction of a new 6-inch sewer main to the shopping center and plans to extend this main to the interstate interchange by the Munfordville Municipal Water and Sewer Company.

5. A new cafeteria, gymnasium, a band and choral room, and a library to the Hart County High School; a wing of classrooms to the Munfordville Elementary School; a new cafeteria and kitchen added to the Cub Run Elementary School; and a new individually-guided education curriculum with team teaching and multi-age grouping implemented in the Bonnieville Elementary School.

#### Recreation, Entertainment and Livability

Mammoth Onyx Cave, located at Horse Cave, is famous for the gigantic, color-illuminated stalactites and stalagmites with hanging bridges and other unusual formations.

Nearby Mammoth Cave National Park provides visitors with more than 150 miles of chartered caverns occurring on five distinct levels. Other park attractions include a boat trip on the Green River, 51,000 surface acres of a national wildlife preserve with trails and an audio-visual presentation. Accommodations available all year include a lodge, cottages, a hotel and restaurants. Camping facilities, picnic areas and trailer parks are excellent. Wondering Woods, a new family attraction is located adjacent to the main entrance to Mammoth Cave.

Nolin River Dam and Lake, which is part of the Corps of Engineers Ohio Basin flood control, has 1,023 acres of park area offering fishing, boating, skiing, picnicking, camping areas, hiking trails and boat ramps.

The Kentucky Reptile Garden, which features a ride on a 250-pound tortoise and a collection of alligators, lizards and a variety of snakes, and the Diamond Caverns are located at Park City, 10 miles south of Horse Cave. Crystal Onyx Cave, the House of Past Biblical Museum, the Mammoth Cave Wax Museum, the Old Kentucky Museum, and the Mammoth Cave Wildlife Museum are located in Cave City, 4 miles from Horse Cave.

Barren River Lake Resort Park, 28 miles from Horse Cave, has a 10,050-acre lake with boating, fishing and swimming facilities. Additional park services include a lodge, restaurant, horseback riding, golf and camping.

Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historical Site, located 25 miles north of Munfordville, includes 100 acres of the original Thomas Lincoln farm where President Lincoln was born. Nearby is Lincoln's boyhood home.



# THE LABOR MARKET

## POPULATION TRENDS

Area	Population				Percent Change	
	1972*	1970	1960	1950	1960-70	1950-60
Horse Cave	N. A.	2,068	1,780	1,545	+16.2	+15.2
Munfordville	N. A.	1,233	1,157	894	+ 6.6	+29.4
Labor Market Area	178,200	175,473	164,092	151,610	+ 6.9	+ 8.2
Hart County	14,500	13,980	14,119	15,321	- 1.0	- 7.8
Barren County	29,500	28,677	28,303	28,461	+ 1.3	- 0.6
Edmonson County	9,600	8,751	8,085	9,376	+ 8.2	-13.8
Grayson County	17,400	16,445	15,834	17,063	+ 3.9	- 7.2
Green County	10,300	10,350	11,249	11,261	- 8.0	- 0.1
Hardin County	77,700	78,421	67,789	50,312	+15.7	+34.7
Larue County	11,100	10,672	10,346	9,956	+ 3.2	+ 3.9
Metcalfe County	8,100	8,177	8,367	9,851	- 2.3	-15.1

\*Provisional Estimates

Sources: U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Census of Population, 1970, 1960, 1950. U. S. Bureau of the Census, Current Population Reports, Series P-26, June 1973.

## GENERAL EMPLOYMENT CHARACTERISTICS, 1972

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Source: Kentucky Department of Economic Security, Division of Research and Statistics.

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT TRENDS BY INDUSTRY  
SEPTEMBER 1972 AND 1962

Industry	Hart County			Labor Market Area		
	1972	1962	% Change	1972	1962	% Change
TOTAL	631	292	+116.1	9,121	3,385	+ 169.4
Food & Kindred Products	56	46	+ 21.7	596	481	+ 23.9
Apparel, Textiles, Leather	340	186	+ 82.8	2,850	1,760	+ 61.9
Lumber, Furniture	37	24	+ 54.2	616	319	+ 93.1
Printing & Publishing, Paper	9	16	- 43.8	554	120	+ 361.7
Chemicals, Petroleum & Coal, Rubber	0	0	0	826	28	+2850.0
Stone, Clay & Glass	0	0	0	128	129	- 0.8
Primary Metals	103	0	--	168	0	--
Machinery, Metal Products, Equipment	86	0	--	2,914	332	+ 777.7
Other	0	20	0	469	216	+ 117.1

Source: Kentucky Department of Economic Security, Number of Workers in Manufacturing Industries Covered by Kentucky Unemployment Insurance Law Classified by Industry and County, September 1972, September 1962.

HORSE CAVE AND MUNFORDVILLE MANUFACTURING FIRMS,  
THEIR PRODUCTS AND EMPLOYMENT

<u>Firm</u> (Establishment Date)	<u>Product</u>	<u>Employment</u>		
		<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
<u>Horse Cave</u>				
Agrico Feed Center (1961)	Fertilizer	4	3	1
Armco Steel Corp. (1954)	Corrugated steel pipe	12	12	0
Homer Bartley Lumber Co. (1941)	Rough lumber, crossties	20	20	0
Foremost Dairies, Inc. (1961)	Concentrating whey	4	4	0
Hart County Creameries, Inc. (1941)	Cheddar cheese	40	34	6
Newspapers, Incorporated (1911)	Newspapers, job printing	2	0	2
J. B. Hatcher & Square Deal Lumber Co. (1946)	Concrete, millwork	7	7	0
Horse Cave Feed Mill (1962)	Custom milling	5	5	0
Kane Industries (1955)	Men's, boys' jackets	175	10	165

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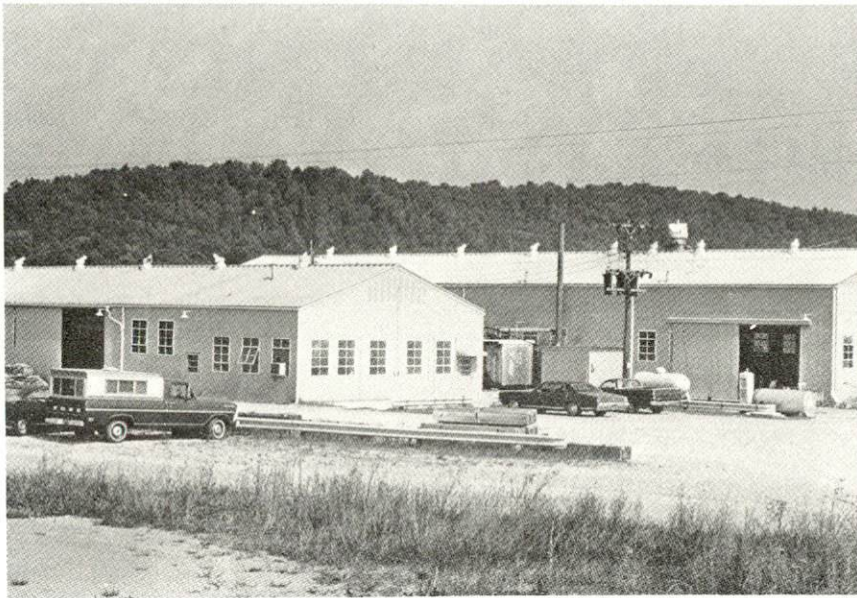


<u>Firm</u> (Establishment Date)	<u>Product</u>	<u>Employment</u>		
		<u>Total</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>
Ken-Dec, Inc. (1969)	Decorative trim, finishing and plating	55	30	25
Moss Tobacco Co. (1937)	Tobacco redrying	29	27	2
Southern States Cooperative (1969)	Fertilizer	5		

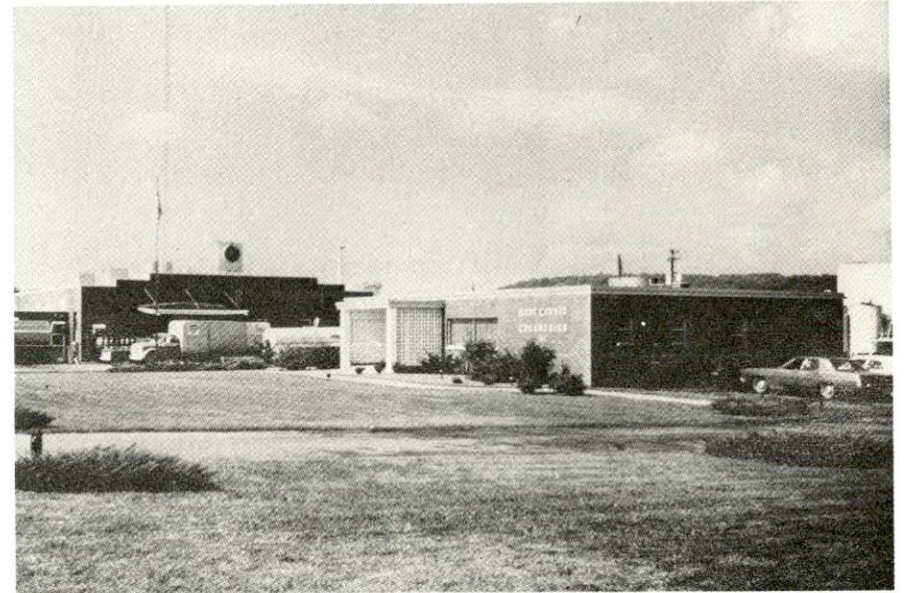
Munfordville

Green River Locker Plant (1961)	Meat processing	4	2	2
The Hart County News (1878)	Newspaper, printing	6	2	4
Louisville Bedding Co. (1889)	Mattress protector pads	150	35	115
Munfordville Craft Shop (1950)	Truck racks, mill- work, lumber	1	1	0
Munfordville Milling Co. (1928)	Feed	2	2	0
Simpson & Anderson Lumber, Inc. (1963)	Lumber, pallets	21	20	1

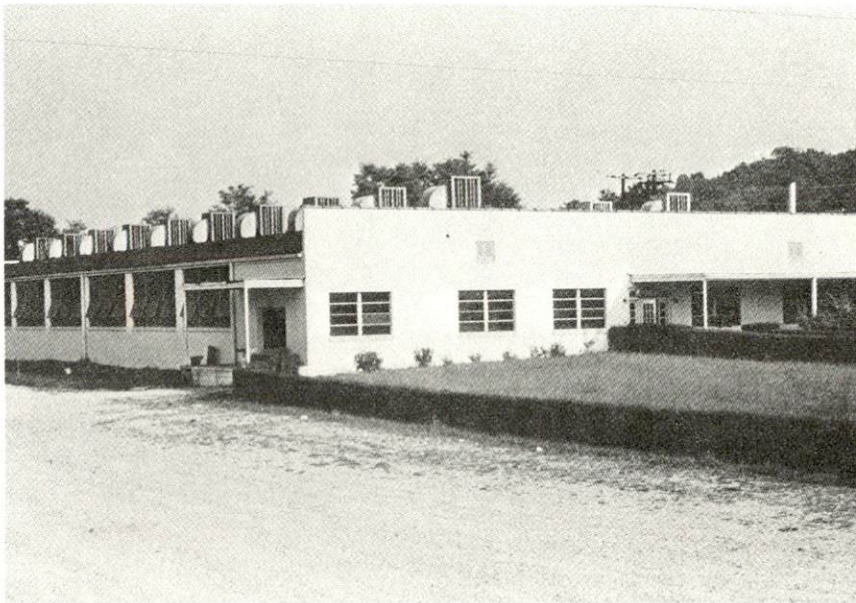
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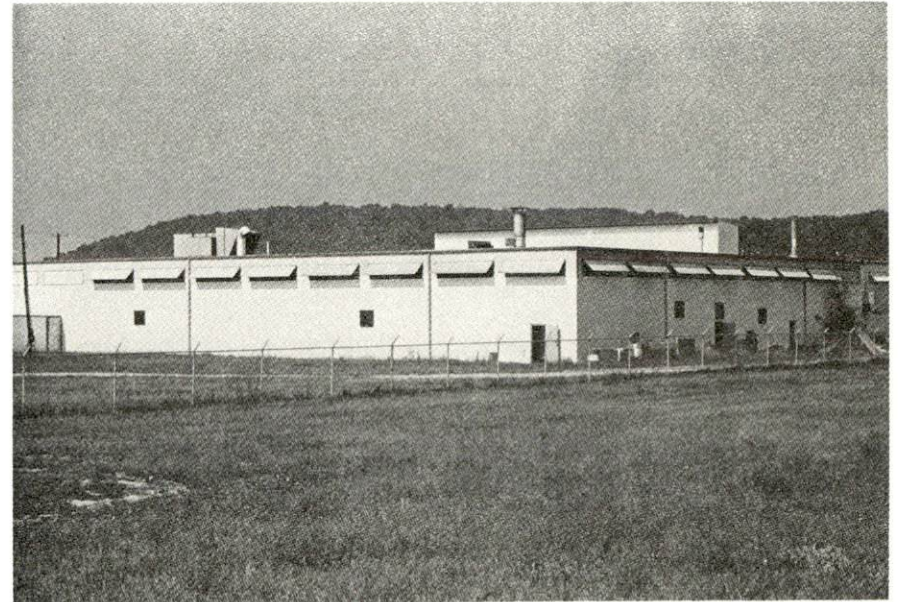
ARMCO STEEL CORP.



HART COUNTY CREAMERIES, INC.



HORSE CAVE MANUFACTURING CO



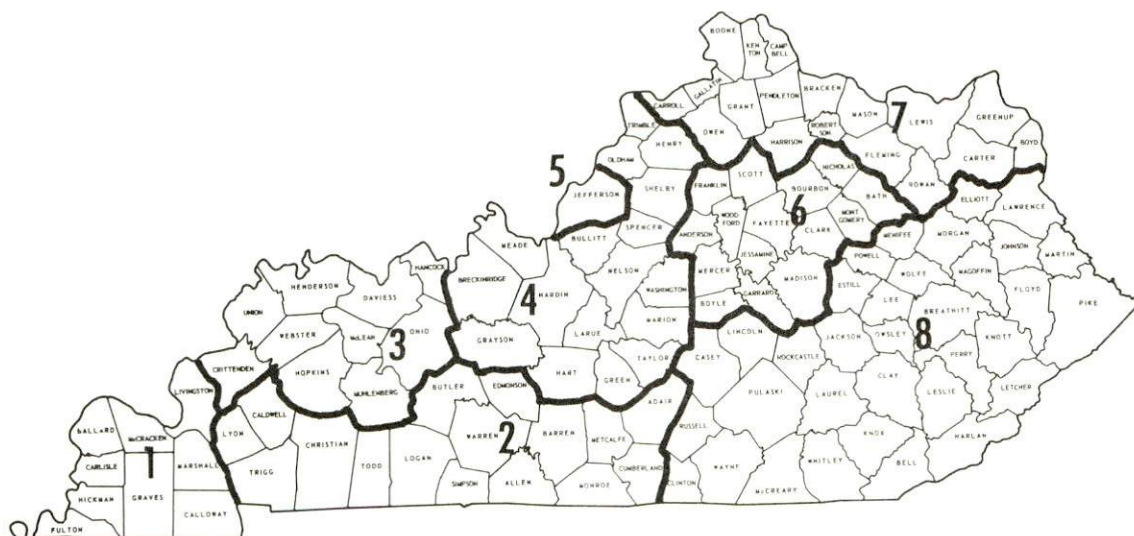
KEN-DEC, INC.



## WAGES

Occupational wage rates for specific industries are usually not available to most government agencies, and wage data furnished to state employment agencies by industrial employers is protected from disclosure by federal law. The most reliable up-to-date wage information can be obtained by direct contact with local employers.

Associated Industries of Kentucky, a voluntary organization of Kentucky businesses, regularly collects occupational wage rates and fringe benefits data from participating member firms. Data is compiled for over 130 clearly defined office, production, and service occupations. Tabulations are published for eight regions of Kentucky, as shown on the map below. It should be noted that the data may be weighted by the preponderance of firms in the larger cities and may be somewhat higher than the rates paid in the smaller communities. Data from these tabulations are available, upon request, from the Kentucky Department of Commerce, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601.



Associated Industries of Kentucky Area Wage Surveys

# LABOR ORGANIZATIONS

## Union

## Representing manufacturing workers at:

International Union of Electrical,  
Radio and Machine Workers

Armco Steel Corporation, Horse Cave

## ESTIMATED MALE LABOR SUPPLY HORSE CAVE AND MUNFORDVILLE LABOR MARKET AREA\*

Area	Current			Future	
	Total	Not in Labor Force	Unemployed	Under- employed	Reaching 18 Yrs. of Age by 1979
Labor Market					
Area	13,854	2,754	2,041	9,059	8,468
Hart	922	378	158	386	731
Barren	1,784	368	364	1,052	1,449
Edmonson	1,022	537	261	224	456
Grayson	1,671	724	323	624	913
Green	615	203	135	277	516
Hardin	6,418	0	538	5,880	3,397
Larue	809	311	134	364	596
Metcalfe	613	233	128	252	410

\*Hart County has a large portion of workers who commute out of the county for work. Based on 1970 Census figures, almost twice the number commute out as commute in.

Sources: Kentucky Department of Economic Security, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1972. Kentucky Department of Commerce, Future Labor Supply by 1979.

## ESTIMATED FEMALE LABOR SUPPLY HORSE CAVE AND MUNFORDVILLE LABOR MARKET AREA

Area	Current			Future	
	Total	Not in Labor Force	Unemployed	Under- employed	Reaching 18 Yrs. of Age by 1979
Labor Market					
Area	12,630	5,243	1,005	6,382	8,129
Hart	1,246	535	92	619	668
Barren	1,817	547	216	1,054	1,406
Edmonson	940	494	139	307	454
Grayson	1,656	895	177	584	835
Green	740	305	75	360	442
Hardin	4,590	1,601	158	2,831	3,329
Larue	1,009	476	76	457	581
Metcalfe	632	390	72	170	414

Sources: Kentucky Department of Economic Security, Kentucky Labor Supply Estimates by County, 1972. Kentucky Department of Commerce, Future Labor Supply by 1979.



PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

<u>Area</u>	<u>1970</u>	<u>1960</u>	<u>% Change</u>
Hart County	\$2,187*	\$ 949	+130.4
Labor Market Area Range	\$1,490 to 4,134*	\$636 to 2,163	N. A.
Kentucky	3,099	1,581	+ 96.0
U. S.	3,933	2,216	+ 77.5

\*Unadjusted for commuting.

Sources: University of Kentucky, Office of Development Services and Business Research, Per Capita Income in Kentucky. U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Survey of Current Business, August 1972.

## TRANSPORTATION

### Rail

Line serving Horse Cave - Louisville & Nashville Railroad

Services - Freight, siding, switching; piggyback facilities are available in Glasgow, 19 miles south.

Line serving Munfordville - Louisville & Nashville Railroad

Services - Freight, siding, switching; piggyback facilities are available in Glasgow, 24 miles south.

For details on routing, schedules, rates, and services, contact:

Manager of Industrial Development  
Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company  
908 West Broadway  
Louisville, Kentucky 40203

### Truck Service

#### Company Serving Horse Cave and Munfordville

Associated Transport, Inc.  
Bowling Green Express, Inc.  
Crutcher Transfer Line, Inc.\*  
Great Lakes Express Company  
McLean Trucking Company  
Renner's Express  
Southern Forwarding Company  
Wilson Freight Company

#### Home Office

New York, New York  
Bowling Green, Kentucky  
Louisville, Kentucky  
Saginaw, Michigan  
Winston-Salem, North Carolina  
Indianapolis, Indiana  
Memphis, Tennessee  
Cincinnati, Ohio

#### Other Freight Services

United Parcel Service

REA Express

#### Nearest Shipping Center

Campbellsville, Kentucky, 39 miles  
east of Munfordville, and Bowling  
Green, Kentucky, 33 miles south  
of Horse Cave  
Cave City, Kentucky, 4 miles from  
Horse Cave

\*Serves Munfordville only.



HIGHWAY MILES AND TRUCK TRANSIT TIME IN DAYS FROM  
HORSE CAVE, KENTUCKY, TO SELECTED MARKET CENTERS

City	Highway Miles	Delivery		City	Highway Miles	Delivery	
		Time TL				Time TL	
Atlanta, Ga.	353	2		Los Angeles, Calif.	2,147	5	
Birmingham, Ala.	288	2		Louisville, Ky.	76	1	
Chicago, Ill.	374	3		Nashville, Tenn.	101	1	
Cincinnati, Ohio	189	2		New Orleans, La.	639	3	
Cleveland, Ohio	437	3		New York, N. Y.	794	4	
Detroit, Mich.	458	3		Pittsburgh, Pa.	489	3	
Knoxville, Tenn.	286	2		St. Louis, Mo.	365	2	

Source: Delivery Time Only - Renner's Express, Inc., 1350 South West Street, P. O. Box 613, Indianapolis, Indiana 46206.

Air

	<u>Nearest Local</u>	<u>Nearest Commercial</u>
Location:	Moore Field Glasgow, 16 miles from Horse Cave	Standiford Field Louisville, 76 miles north of Horse Cave
Runways:	1 paved	3 paved
Length:	4,000 feet	7,800 feet, 7,250 feet, 5,000 feet
Traffic Control:	Wind sock	Control tower, transmits approach control, ground control, guards, radar, departure control
Lighting:	Runway lights sun- down to sunrise	High intensity on two longest runways, medium intensity on third, obstruc- tions, beacon and approach lights, center line on 7,800-foot runway
Services:	100 octane, jet fuel, charter, flight instruction, taxi, A & E repairs and rental cars avail- able	Louisville-Jefferson County Air Board, 80, 100, 115, jet fuel, storage, major A & E repairs; TWA, American, Eastern, Delta, Piedmont, Ozark and Allegheny Airlines; car rentals, restaurants, taxi and city bus service, motel
Air Freight Service:		Air freight terminal - regularly scheduled freight-carrying airlines

Bus - Horse Cave and Munfordville - Greyhound Bus Lines

Taxi - Horse Cave and Munfordville - Available locally

## POWER AND FUEL

### Electricity

Company serving Horse Cave and Munfordville - Kentucky Utilities Company  
Source of power - Kentucky Utilities Company  
Total generating capacity - 1,215,000 KW  
For industrial rates contact:

Kentucky Utilities Company  
120 South Limestone  
Lexington, Kentucky

Company serving Hart County - Farmers RECC  
Source of power - East Kentucky Power Cooperative  
Total generating capacity - 548,000 KW  
For industrial rates contact:

Farmers RECC  
504 South Broadway  
Glasgow, Kentucky 42141

### Natural Gas

Company serving Horse Cave and Munfordville - Western Kentucky Gas Company  
Source of supply - Texas Gas Transmission Corporation  
Size of transmission mains - 4 inches  
Distribution mains - 2, 3, and 4 inches  
Distribution pressure - 20 psi  
Btu content - 1,000 per cubic foot; Specific gravity - .60  
For rates and supplies contact:

Western Kentucky Gas Company  
Director of Industrial Development  
311 West Seventh Street  
Owensboro, Kentucky 42301



## Other Fuels

### Propane and butane

Rowletts - Ugite Gas, Incorporated  
Glasgow - Pargas  
Canmer - Pargas of Canmer, Inc.  
Glasgow - Williams Energy Company

### Fuel oils

Distillate fuel oil -

Horse Cave - Sun Oil Company, Shell Oil Company  
Munfordville - Ashland Oil and Refining Company, Hart Supply Co.,  
Bale Oil Co., Marathon  
Cave City - Texaco, Inc.  
Glasgow - Atlantic Richfield, Ashland Oil, Gulf, Shell, Standard, Exxon

Residual fuel oil - arrangements must be made with the refinery.

Low sulphur content coal - available in Eastern Kentucky.

## WATER AND SEWERAGE

### Water

Company serving Horse Cave - Green River Valley Water District\*

Source - Springs

Treatment plant capacity - 1,500,000 gpd

Average daily consumption - 500,000 gallons

Peak daily consumption - 600,000 gallons

Type treatment - Settled, filtered, chlorinated, rapid sand filter,  
micro-floc-filter

Storage capacity - 1,000,000 gallons for area, including 250,000 gallons  
in Horse Cave

Size mains - 2, 4, 6 and 8 inches

Average pressure - 70 psi

Average temperature - 60° F.

### MONTHLY WATER RATES FOR WHOLESALE AND INDUSTRIAL CONSUMERS

0 - 1,000 gallons	\$3.00 Minimum
1,001 - 5,000 gallons	1.50 per thousand
5,001 - 10,000 gallons	1.40 per thousand
10,001 - 20,000 gallons	1.15 per thousand
20,001 - 30,000 gallons	1.05 per thousand
30,001 - 50,000 gallons	.70 per thousand
Over 50,000 gallons	.40 per thousand

Company serving Munfordville - Munfordville Municipal Water and Sewer  
Company

Source - Green River

Treatment plant capacity - 300,000 gallons per day

Average daily consumption - 130,000 gallons

Peak daily consumption - 200,000 gallons

Type treatment - Settling basin (alum and lime), filtration and chlorination

Storage capacity - 300,000 gallons

Size mains - 2, 4, 6 and 8 inches

Average pressure - 40 psi

Average temperature - 50° F.

\*Recently added 70 miles of new lines, changing to micro-floc-filter and  
plan to add an additional ground storage tank for Horse Cave.



## MONTHLY WATER RATES

First	2,000 gallons	\$3.85 (Minimum)
Next	8,000 gallons	1.65 per 1,000 gallons
Next	10,000 gallons	1.55 per 1,000 gallons
Next	10,000 gallons	1.35 per 1,000 gallons
Next	10,000 gallons	1.25 per 1,000 gallons
Next	20,000 gallons	1.00 per 1,000 gallons
Next	40,000 gallons	.65 per 1,000 gallons
All over	100,000 gallons	.35 per 1,000 gallons

Name of water district - Green River Valley Water District\*

Area served - Portions of Hart and Barren Counties

Date when water district began operating - May 1963

Source of raw water - Springs

Capacity of treatment plant - 1,500,000 gallons daily

Type of treatment - Settled, filtered, chlorinated, rapid sand filter, micro-floc-filter

Average amount of water used in a 24-hour period - 900,000 gallons

Peak amount of water used in a 24-hour period - 980,000 gallons

Storage capacity - 1,000,000 gallons (includes ground tank in Horse Cave)

Average pressure - 90 psi

Average temperature - 60° F.

Size lines - 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10, and 12 inches

Rates -

Minimum	1,999 gallons	\$3.70
Next	8,000 gallons	1.35 per 1,000 gallons
Next	10,000 gallons	1.00 per 1,000 gallons
Next	30,000 gallons	.70 per 1,000 gallons
Next	50,000 gallons	.50 per 1,000 gallons
All above	100,000 gallons	.45 per 1,000 gallons

Surface water sources - Green and Nolin Rivers and the Nolin Reservoir

Average discharge - Green River at Munfordville, Kentucky - 2,565 cfs (45-year record); Bacon Creek of Nolin River near Priceville, Kentucky - 50.2 cfs (12-year record)

Expected ground water yield - 50-200 gpm along Green River; 5-50 gpm in southern and most of northern portion; 5 gpm or less over remainder of county

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\*In addition to changes listed for Horse Cave, the water district is constructing a new 500,000-gallon ground tank in Cave City.

## Sewerage

Company serving Horse Cave - Horse Cave Water and Sewerage Company

Design capacity - 480,000 gpd

Average daily flow - 320,000 gallons

Treatment - Primary and secondary

Type treatment - Clarifiers, filter, chlorination, digester and drying beds

Treated effluent discharged into - Sink hole

Size of sanitary mains - 8, 10, and 12 inches

Rates - 50 percent of monthly water bill

Company serving Munfordville - Munfordville Municipal Water and Sewer Company\*

Design capacity - 150,000 gpd

Average daily flow - 70,000 gallons

Treatment - Primary

Type treatment - Aeration and clarifier

Treated effluent discharged into - Green River

Size of sanitary mains - 8 inches

Size of storm main - 18 inches

Rates - 75 percent of monthly water bill

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\*The Munfordville Municipal Water and Sewer Company is constructing a new 6-inch line to the Munfordville shopping center and plans to extend this line to the Interstate junction along U. S. 31-W.



## LOCAL GOVERNMENT

### City

#### Horse Cave

Structure - Mayor - 4-year term; 5 councilmen - 2-year terms

Budget 1972 - General Fund - \$97,270.29

Fees and licenses - Occupational license fee varies from \$5 to \$35 per year

#### Munfordville

Structure - Mayor - 4-year term; 6 councilmen - 2-year terms

Budget 1973-74 - General Fund - \$48,610; Water and Sewer Fund - \$75,526

Fees and licenses - Occupational license fee - \$25 per year; unloading license - \$25 per year

### County

Structure - County Judge - 4-year term; 5 magistrates - 4-year terms

Budget 1973-74 - General Fund - \$146,973; Road Fund - \$49,000

### Assessed Value of Property

<u>Classes of Property</u>	<u>Munfordville</u>	<u>Hart County</u>
Real Estate	\$13,000,000 (1973)	\$70,194,029 (1973)
Tangibles	2,000,000 (1973)	17,727,554 (1973)
Public Service	448,014 (1973)	16,405,777 (1972)

### Property Taxes

Land and buildings are taxed by the state and may be taxed by local jurisdictions. The state rate is \$0.015 per \$100 of assessed valuation.

Tangible personal property owned by manufacturers (automobiles, trucks, finished goods, office furniture, office equipment) is taxed by the state at \$0.15 per \$100 and may be taxed by local jurisdictions.

Manufacturing machinery, raw materials inventories, and goods in process inventories are not subject to local taxation. The state rate is \$0.15 per \$100.

Property stored in public warehouses is not subject to local taxation.  
The state rate is only \$0.015 per \$100.

All property is assessed at 100 percent of fair cash value.

Local Property Tax Rate Per \$100 of Assessed Valuation, 1973\*

<u>Taxing Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Horse Cave</u>	<u>Munfordville</u>	<u>Hart County</u>
County	.156	.156	.156
School	.887	.429	.429
City	.230	.190	

Planning and Zoning

City agency - Horse Cave Planning and Zoning Commission  
 Zoning enforced - City only  
 Subdivision regulations enforced - City  
 Local codes enforced - Building, Housing, Electrical  
 Mandatory state codes enforced - Plumbing, National Fire Protection  
 Association Code, National Building Code (for major buildings and  
 residential construction containing more than 12 bedrooms per building)  
 Other programs - Public Housing - 32 units built in 1967 in Horse Cave;  
 Public Housing - 80 units completed in 1973 in Munfordville

Safety

<u>Police</u>	<u>Horse Cave</u>	<u>Munfordville</u>	<u>Hart County</u>
Total staff	5	2	4
Radio-patrol cars	2	1	3

Fire

American Insurance	.		
Association Fire Rating	8	8 & 9	
Volunteers	25	17	
Equipment:			
750 gpm pumpers	1	1	
500 gpm pumpers	1	2	
Utility truck		1	
Equipment truck	1		
Tank truck, 1,100 gallons with auxiliary pump		1	
Hose truck	1		

\*Kentucky Department of Revenue.



### Rescue Service

Hart County Rescue Service:

Number of volunteers - 17

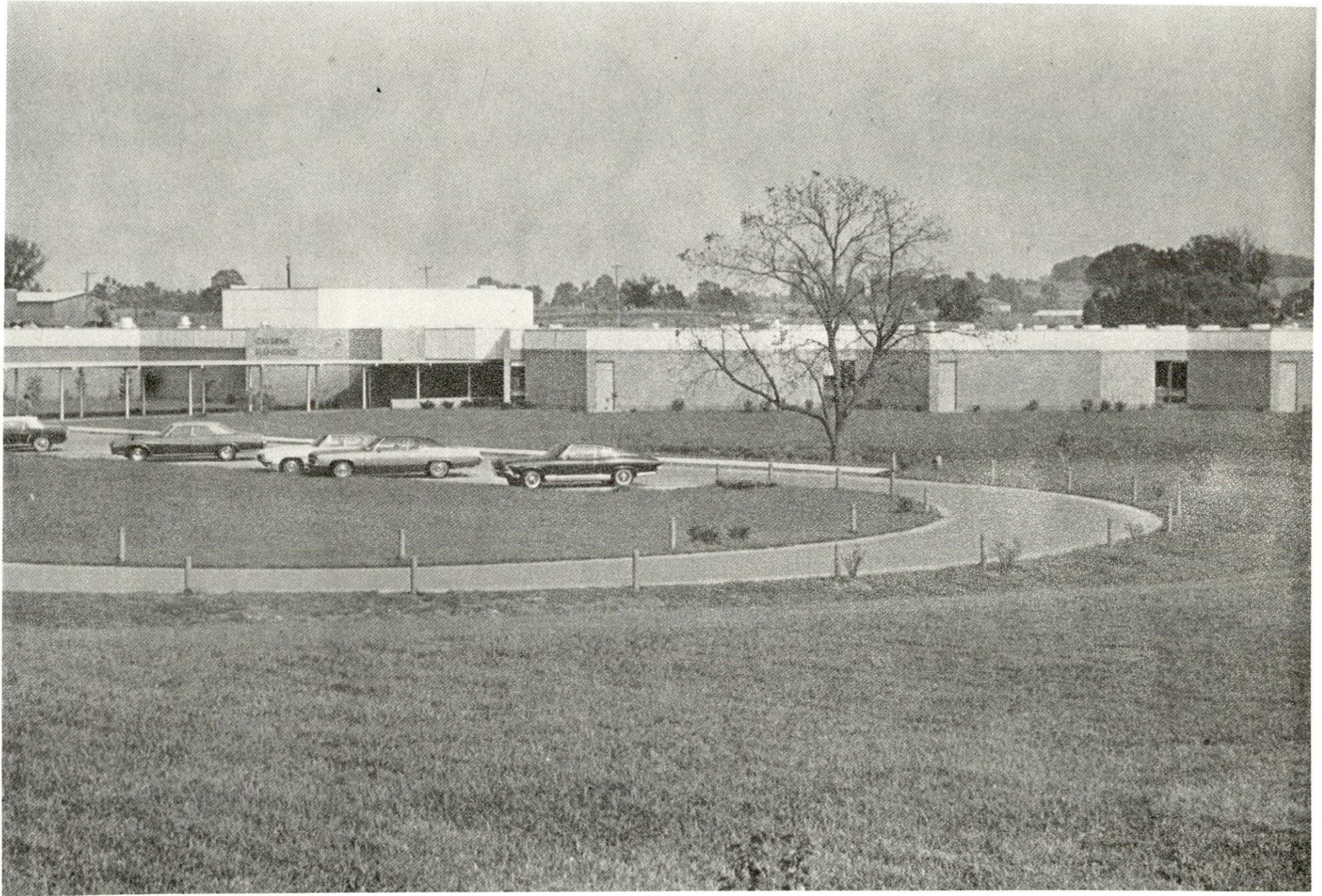
Equipment - Equipment truck, diving equipment, boat and motor, oxygen

Personnel training - First Aid, Civil Defense, Diving Training

### Sanitation

	<u>Horse Cave</u>	<u>Munfordville</u>
Type service	Municipal	Private
Fee charged:		
residential	\$3.00 per month	\$3.25 per month
business	By contract	By contract
Collection frequency:		
residential	Weekly	Weekly
business	Twice weekly	By contract
Trash pickup	Weekly	Weekly
Disposal method	Sanitary landfill	Sanitary landfill





CAVERNA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



## EDUCATION

### Public Schools

	<u>Caverna Independent</u>	<u>Hart County</u>
Total Enrollment, Fall 1972	1, 040	2, 877
Elementary	540	2, 084
High School	500	793
Student-Teacher Ratio	22-1	22-1
Elementary	22-1	22-1
High School	23-1	21-1
Percent High School Graduates to College	55. 7	25. 5
Expenditures per Pupil (1971-72)	\$469. 48	\$435. 44
Bonded Indebtedness, June 30, 1972	\$1, 433, 000	\$1, 983, 000

### Vocational Schools

	<u>Nearest State School</u>	<u>Nearest Area Vocational Education Center</u>
Location	Bowling Green State Vocational-Technical School	Glasgow Area Vocational Education Center
Miles Distant	Bowling Green	Glasgow
Curriculum	30 miles from Horse Cave	16 miles from Horse Cave
	Distributive Education	Health Careers
	Dental Assistant	Auto Mechanics
	Dental Technician	Carpentry
	Health Careers	Drafting
	Nurses Aide	
	Practical Nursing	
	Surgical Technician	
	Ward Clerk	
	Electronics (Technology)	
	Highway Technology	
	Technical Drafting	
	Air Conditioning and Refrigeration	
	Auto Body Repair	
	Auto Mechanics	
	Carpentry	
	Commercial Foods	
	(Cont. )	

### Vocational Schools (Cont. )

Curriculum	Drafting
	Electricity
	Machine Shop
	Printing
	Radio and TV Repair
	Tool and Die Making
	Welding

Arrangements can be made to provide training in the specific production skills required by an industrial plant. Instruction may be conducted either in the vocational school or in the industrial plant, depending upon the desired arrangement and the availability of special equipment.

### Colleges and Universities

<u>Name</u>	<u>Area - Within 60 Miles</u>		<u>Highest Degree Conferred</u>
	<u>Location</u>	<u>Enrollment (Fall, 1972)</u>	
Western Kentucky University	Bowling Green	11, 329	Masters, Ph. D. *
Campbellsville College	Campbellsville	743	Baccalaureate
Elizabethtown Community College	Elizabethtown	731	Associate
Fort Knox Community College	Fort Knox	655	Associate
Lindsey Wilson Junior College	Columbia	306	Associate

\*Cooperative program with the University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky, for Ph. D. in Education only.



## HEALTH

### Hospitals

<u>General Hospital</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Caverna Memorial Hospital	Horse Cave	30

General hospital facilities - Operating room, X-ray, laboratory, emergency room, delivery room, nursery, recovery room, pharmacy

Medical staff - 4 medical doctors, 3 dentists, 1 surgeon, 7 registered nurses, 7 licensed practical nurses, radiologist, pathologist, anesthetist

Other - Hart County's Mental Health-Mental Retardation Center offers counseling and evaluation by a social worker and psychologist, and has the services of a psychiatrist. A development training center offers courses for mentally and physically handicapped children.

### Nursing Homes

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Beds</u>
Personal care homes	1	54

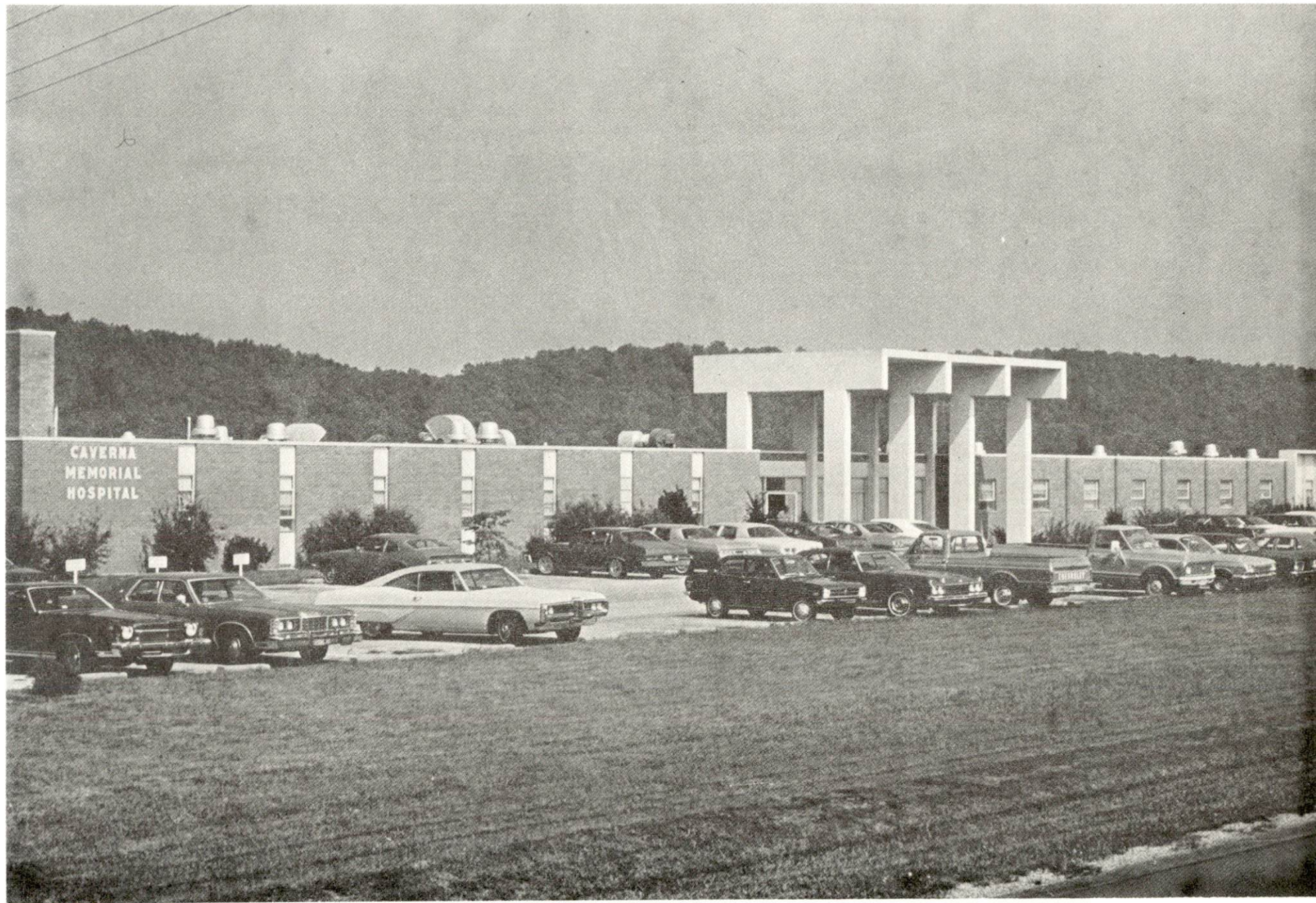
### Public Health

Facility - Hart County Health Department

Staff - One registered nurse (full-time), one registered nurse (part-time), one clerk, one acting administrative assistant, one senior county sanitarian (part-time)

Budget 1972-73 - \$25,288





CAVERNA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL



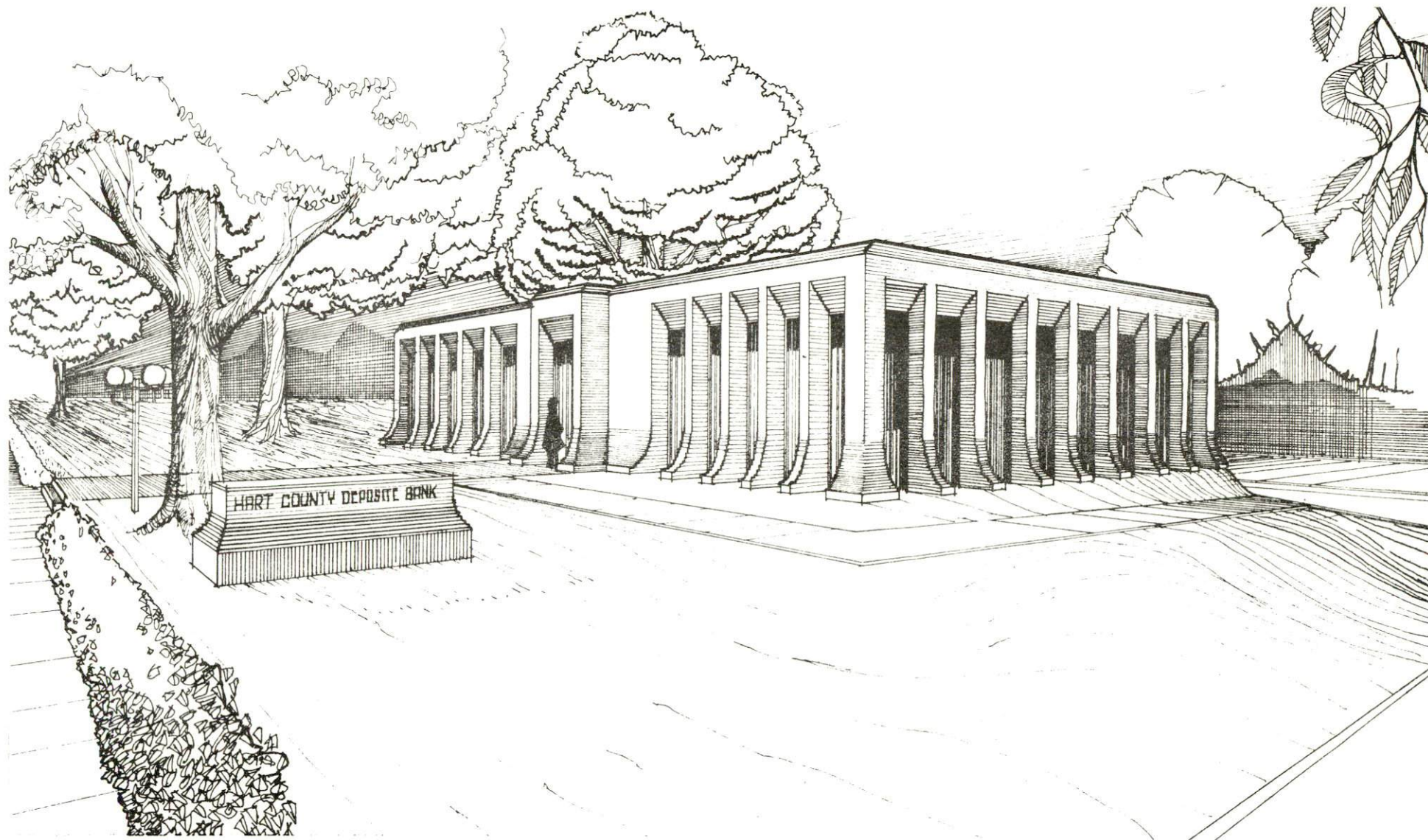
## OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES

### Communications

	<u>Horse Cave</u>	<u>Munfordville</u>
Telephone -	South Central Rural	South Central Rural
Services -	Telephone Cooperative Standard	Telephone Cooperative Standard
Telegraph -	Western Union	Western Union
Postal - U. S. Post Office		
Class -	Second	Second
Mail received -	Twice daily	Twice daily
Mail dispatched -	Twice daily	Twice daily
Newspapers -	Hart County Herald	Hart County News
Weekly and circulation -	2,000	2,275
Other papers received from -	Bowling Green, Glasgow, Elizabethtown, and Louisville, Kentucky	Bowling Green, Glasgow, Elizabethtown, and Louisville, Kentucky
Radio -		WLOC AM-FM
Stations received from -	Louisville, Kentucky; Nashville, Tennessee	Louisville, Kentucky; Nashville, Tennessee
Television -		
Cable service -	Yes	Yes
Reception from -	Bowling Green and Louisville, Kentucky; Nashville, Tennessee; Evansville, Indiana	Bowling Green, Louisville and Lexington, Kentucky; Nashville, Tennessee
Kentucky Educational Television -	Elizabethtown trans- mitter, Channel 23	Elizabethtown trans- mitter, Channel 23

### Library Services

Public library - Hart County Public Library  
 Size collection - 22,400 volumes  
 Circulation - 1972-73 - 40,387 volumes, Bookmobile - 34,105 volumes  
 Services - Records, record player, periodicals, newspapers, projector,  
 copying machine, films, and story hour in the winter



**HART COUNTY DEPOSIT BANK**



Public library - Horse Cave Free Public Library  
Size collection - 10,000 volumes  
Circulation, 1972 - 1,200 volumes per month  
Services - Records, periodicals, story hour

### Religious Institutions

#### Horse Cave and Munfordville

Number of churches - 9  
Denominations - Baptist (separate), Catholic, Christian, Church of Christ,  
Church of God, Holiness Church, Methodist, Presbyterian, Southern Baptist  
Nearest synagogues - Louisville, 67 miles north  
Congregations - Adath Israel, Brith Sholom (reform); Adath Jeshurum  
(conservative); Anshei Sfard, Keneseth Israel (orthodox)

### Financial Institutions

<u>Banks</u>	<u>Statement as of June 30, 1973</u>	
	<u>Assets</u>	<u>Deposits</u>
Canmer Deposit Bank	\$ 5,965,385.45	\$ 5,361,675.42
Hart County Deposit Bank, Munfordville	6,424,302.11	5,204,938.39
The Horse Cave State Bank	12,919,910.36	11,742,264.39

### Hotels and Motels

Horse Cave - Total number - 7, Units - 142  
Munfordville - Total number - 2, Units - 21

### Clubs and Organizations in Hart County

Business and Civic - Chambers of Commerce, Jaycees, Lions, Rotary,  
P. T. A., Mental Health-Mental Retardation Association

Fraternal - Masonic Lodge, American Legion, VFW, DAV, WOW

Women's - Eastern Star, Woman's Clubs (Junior and Senior), Homemakers,  
American Legion Auxiliary, Jaycee-ettes

Youth - Youth Center, FFA, FTA, FHA, FBLA, Little League, Rainbow  
Girls, Demolay, Teen-age Club, Junior Conservation Club, Girl Scouts,  
Boy Scouts, Teens Who Care, 4-H

Social - Duplicate Bridge Club, Caveland Recreation Area

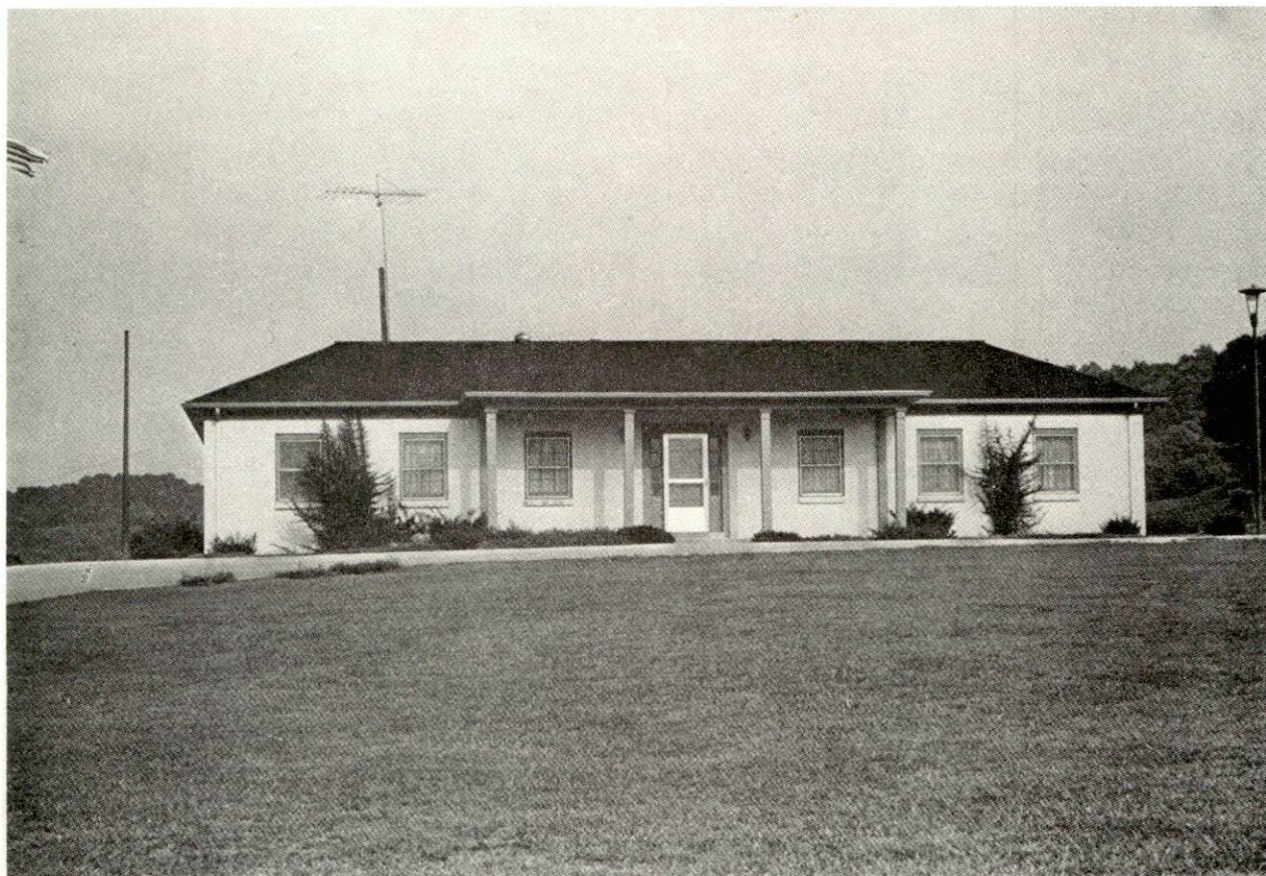
Financial - Investment Club

## RECREATION

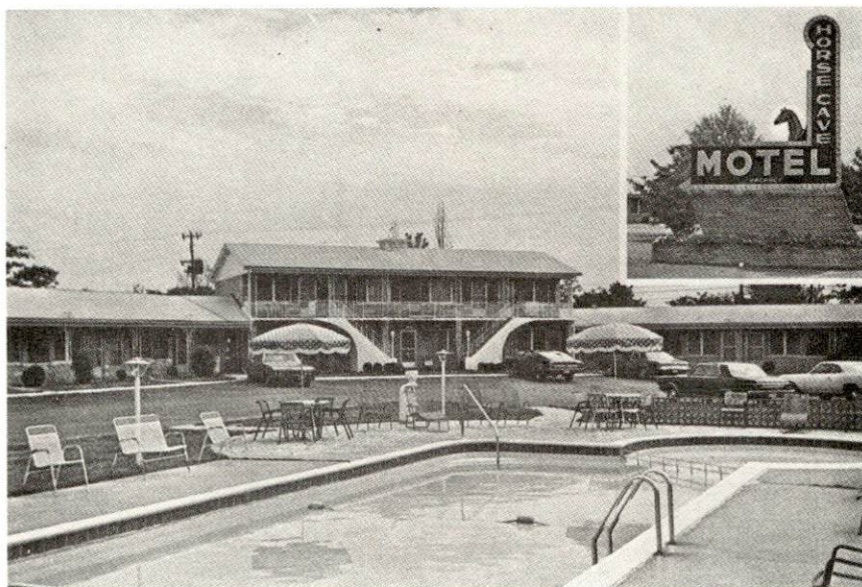
### Local

	<u>Horse Cave</u>	<u>Munfordville</u>	<u>Hart County</u>
Public Recreation Facilities			
Supervised program -	Yes		
Parks -	1		
Playground -		1	
Golf course -	1 (Par-3)		
Tennis courts -	4	5	
Baseball diamonds -	1	2	
Football fields -	1	1	
Other -	gymnasium		
	2 miniature		
	golf courses		
	driving range		
Private Recreation Facilities			
Country club -			1
Golf course -			1 (Reg. 9-hole)
Swimming pool -			1
Movie theaters -			1 drive-in
			1 indoor
Other -			tennis courts
Tourist Attractions (Within 25 miles)			
Mammoth Cave National Park			
Wondering Woods			
Nolin River Dam and Lake			
Mammoth Onyx Cave			
The Kentucky Reptile Garden			
The Diamond Caverns			
Crystal Onyx Cave			
The House of Past Biblical Museum			
The Mammoth Cave Wax Museum			
The Mammoth Cave Wildlife Museum			
The Old Kentucky Museum			
Barren River Lake Resort Park			
Abraham Lincoln Birthplace National Historical Site			





CAVELAND RECREATION CENTER



HORSE CAVE MOTEL

# AGRICULTURE - NATURAL RESOURCES - CLIMATE

## Agriculture\*

	<u>Hart County</u>	<u>Labor Market Area</u>
Total land area (acres)	268, 800	2, 007, 040
Percent of area in farm land	81. 3	77. 5
Number of farms	2, 022	14, 527
Average size of farms (acres)	108. 1	107. 1
1969 value of all farm products	\$10, 844, 337	\$75, 442, 061
Value per farm	5, 363	5, 193
Total crop sales	5, 459, 155	30, 806, 335
Total livestock & livestock products	5, 330, 918	44, 051, 547
1970 agricultural production included:		
Burley tobacco (lbs. )	8, 459, 000	42, 663, 000
Corn (bu. )	509, 000	4, 521, 000
Cattle and calves (number)	50, 400	303, 800
Hogs and pigs (number)	10, 900	158, 200
Milk production, 1969 (lbs. )	53, 550, 000	375, 530, 000

## Natural Resources

Principal mineral resources	Limestone, sand and gravel, petroleum
Other mineral resources	Coal
Acres of commercial forest land	117, 300 acres
Most abundant tree species	White oak, red oak, hickory, ash, yellow poplar, beech, hard maple

\*U. S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census, Census of Agriculture, 1969. U. S. Department of Agriculture and Kentucky Department of Agriculture, Kentucky Agricultural Statistics, 1971.



Climate\*

Hart County

Temperature

Annual mean (30-year record)	55.6 degrees
Average annual 1972	54.2 degrees
Record highest, July, 1966**(9-year record)	98.0 degrees
Record lowest, January, 1972 (9-year record)	-11.0 degrees
Normal heating degree days (30-year record)	4,683
(Heating degree day totals are the sums of negative departures of average daily temperatures from 65° F.)	

Precipitation

Mean annual total (30-year record)	44.73 inches
Mean annual snow and sleet (28-year record)	16.30 inches
Total precipitation 1972	57.61 inches
Mean number days precipitation (.01 inch or more) (28-year record)	129
Average number days thunderstorms (28-year record)	47

Prevailing winds (17-year record)	South
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\*U. S. Department of Commerce, Environmental Science Services Administration, Climatological Data, 1972. Station of Record: Lexington, Kentucky.

\*\*Also on earlier dates, months, or years.

## HISTORY

Hart County is located in the cave country of south central Kentucky, covering 425 square miles. It is drained by the Green River, which bisects it from east to west, and by Nolin Creek in the northwestern portion. Nolin Reservoir, a 5,795-acre lake, is on the county's western edge. The land surface is rolling to hilly, except for the flat river bottoms, and the soil is very productive. There are a number of caves and sinks in the area, and a portion of Mammoth Cave National Park extends into the county. Over forty percent of Hart County's territory is commercial forest land.

Hart became Kentucky's sixty-first county in 1819, named for Captain Nathaniel G. T. Hart who settled at Lexington and later commanded a volunteer company in the War of 1812. Hart was a brother-in-law of Henry Clay.

Munfordville, the county seat, was named for Richard J. Munford, who owned the land on which the town stands. It is located on Green River at a point known to early settlers as "Big Buffalo Crossing" because the buffalo used a ford there in their migrations. The town grew up around the Munford Inn, a famous stopping place since 1806 for travelers on an old buffalo trace through the region. In the Civil War, Munfordville was the site of a Union fort which was taken by General Braxton Bragg. In 1970 the town had a population of 1,233.

Horse Cave, the county's largest town, lies to the south. It is rumored that the town was so named because the Cherokee Indians once used a cave there as a corral for stolen horses, the stories vary. The town is built partially over Hidden River Cave, which has an entrance and some domes which are extremely large. In 1970 Horse Cave had a population of 2,068.

In 1820, one year after its founding, Hart County had a population of 4,184. This grew to 15,321 in 1950, followed by a decline to 14,119 by 1960. During the 1960's the decline was almost reversed, leaving a total of 13,980 in 1970 and 14,500 in 1972.

Agriculture is an important segment of the county's economy, accounting for 1,520 of a total of 4,730 employed in 1972. Burley tobacco, corn, hay, cattle and hogs were the principal products. Large quantities of petroleum and limestone have been produced as well. Manufacturing employment increased by over 115 percent between 1962 and 1972, with the greatest growth in the apparel and primary metals industries. Largest of the county's firms are Kane Industries, which makes men's jackets, and Louisville Bedding Company, producing mattress protector pads.



Mammoth Cave National Park, which contains world renowned Mammoth Cave, is a major tourist attraction and provides extensive recreational facilities. Interstate Highway 65 bisects the county from north to south and provides excellent access to the area.

Probably the most famous citizen in the history of Hart County was Simon Bolivar Buckner, a brigadier general in the Confederate Army, Governor of Kentucky (1887-1891), and candidate for U. S. Vice President on the gold ticket in 1896.